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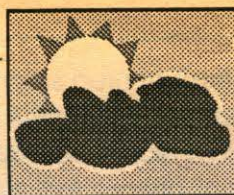
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MARSHALL UNIVERSITY

■ STRUCTURE CHANGES

Staff dislikes proposed BOT guidelines

By Brandi Kidd
Reporter

Many classified staff members are outraged that their job classifications may be reduced if new guidelines proposed by the state Board of Trustees are adopted.

"I hate the plan the board has proposed," said Karen D. King, administrative aide I to staff council. "If it is passed, I will drop from administrative aide to secretary. It takes away years of service."

King says the plan by the University of West Virginia System Board of Trustees would restructure the salary schedule so that employees would have to move up an average of three pay grades to

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Sherri L. Noble, Classified Staff Council president

receive the same pay they are getting now.

The current system of classification categorizes certain employees as secretary I-III, administrative aide I-II and senior administrative aide.

"It is disturbing that people are unaware of the structure changes," King said. "The plan sounds very good to most people because they are going to move up in the pay grade steps, but what they don't understand

is that they will receive the same or less pay."

Sherri L. Noble, president of Classified Staff Council and assistant to the provost, said the proposed plan would affect classified staff members greatly.

"The majority of classified staff do not approve of the plan because it is not equitable — it doesn't provide equal pay for equal work," Noble said. "Our main goal is to try and accom-

plish what is best for the majority in the long run, and the proposed plan only helps a few."

In the proposed plan, an employee is initially classified in a pay grade in the salary schedule according to number of years of service.

The problem with this method of classification, Noble said, is that no provision for advancing each year in the pay grade steps is included. An employee must remain in a pay grade

until he or she is promoted or reclassified.

The salary schedule could increase if the Legislature reconsiders inflation or the cost of living index, but the only way step movement for an employee is possible, Noble said, is if the Legislature provides the money.

Noble said staff council members want pay raises to be based on years of service, not position on the salary schedule.

The intent of the Legislature is to provide pay raises for classified staff members for the next three years, Noble said.

She said staff members are hoping pay raises come from additional funds appropriated by the state and not from increases in student tuition.

■ PARENTS' WEEKEND

Sound the alarm — parents are coming

By Lee Ann Ferry
Reporter

Shove your dirty clothes under the bed, hide your beer bottle collection and dust off your textbooks. It's that time again — Parents' Weekend!

The 10th annual Marshall University Parents' and Family Weekend, sponsored by the M.U. Parents' Association, is today, Saturday and Sunday. Activities begin today with a reception at President Gilley's home from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Nancy Schultz, administrative assistant to the dean of students, said the president's reception will be a more casual affair this year.

"It's going to be held outdoors under tents in a relaxed picnic-style atmosphere, and the 20-piece jazz band from Marshall will be playing," Schultz said.

This year, parents and families are offered a smorgasbord of activities. They can check out an antique car show with a live remote from WRVC, tour the campus, take in a play, and, of course, see the Marshall football team in action against VMI.

Parents and families can also enjoy a pre-game lunch/reception at the Erickson Alumni Center for \$5 per person and qualify for the grand prize halftime drawing for an estimated \$500 worth of prizes.

Schultz said Parents' and Family Weekend is different this year because there is much more to offer than the football game. "For the first time, fam-

Weekend highlights

TODAY

- 6:30 p.m. — President's reception
- 8 p.m. — "Noises Off"

SATURDAY

- 8 a.m. — Car show
- 1 p.m. — Pre-game reception
- Campus tours and Open houses
- 7 p.m. — MU vs. VMI
- Halftime — Grand prize drawing
- 8 p.m. — "Noises Off"

SUNDAY

- 11 a.m. — Ecumenical church service

ilies have a choice between a play and the ball game," Schultz said.

However, families have the opportunity to attend both the game and the play because the University Theater production of "Noises Off" will be presented tonight and Saturday evening.

In addition to Parents' Weekend events, Huntington offers visiting families several interesting activities. Heritage Village is hosting a Railroad Days celebration Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and the annual Oktoberfest will be in Barboursville.

Schultz said announcements of Parents' and Family Weekend were sent out in a newsletter to the parents or guardians of all full-time students.

"In the past years we've had a registration fee, but this year it's been cut out and it's just

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Higher education?



Photo by Bonnie Charles

The performance Tuesday night at the Fine and Performing Arts Center on campus was not a typical music, dance or theater presentation. This "ditty," titled "Drop Stuff on Mike's Head," was among such others as "Setting the Table" and "Huh" presented by Art Guise.

■ CLASSIFIED STAFF

Equal pay top priority for council

By Brandi Kidd
Reporter

The biggest concern for Marshall's Classified Staff Council in the coming year will be to get an equal classification and compensation system, one official said.

Sherri L. Noble, president of Classified Staff Council and assistant to the provost, said classified staff is working with West Virginia University's classified staff to accomplish this goal.

"We have developed a good working relationship with the classified staff at WVU," Noble said. "We are both lobbying for the same things and hope to strengthen this relationship."

Other lobbying activities include legislation that would allow higher education officials to run for public office. They also will work with the Higher Education Coalition to increase funding for student grant programs.

Classified staff have been ironing out other plans for the coming year as well. Noble said they want to establish a staff council hotline to keep members informed of meetings and the status of the council's plans.

Outside the office, classified staff members plan to get involved with the community. Noble said she is going to have a representative from Habitat for Humanity, a volunteer organization that provides housing for underprivileged families.

"As for community service,

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This & that.

Buttafuoco is out; Schmoke new joke

BALTIMORE (AP) — Buttafuoco is out, Schmoke is in.

Now that the Joey Buttafuoco-Amy Fisher story has ended, David Letterman has picked a new name to kick around.

"Baltimore Mayor Kurt Schmoke. I don't have a joke here, I just love saying Kurt Schmoke," Letterman said.

Letterman, who got comedic mileage simply by reciting the name Buttafuoco, pronounced the mayor's name several times Monday night, drawing laughs each time.

"I look forward to meeting David Letterman one day," Schmoke said Wednesday. "You know, so I can say David Leeeeeeettermen or something."

Billy Joel says he only wanted to meet women

NEW YORK (AP) - Billy Joel is a hit-writing phenomenon whose records regularly go gold and whose concerts sell out, and it all started because he wanted to meet girls.

Joel told PBS' Charlie Rose in a recent interview that what he enjoyed most about his music was the chance to meet women.

It didn't work too well at first when he encountered model Christie Brinkley, to whom he now is married.

"I saw her getting on a plane to go to this island in the Caribbean. I said, 'That's Christie Brinkley!' I recognized her immediately and tried to get her to recognize me," he said.

Closing the book on pooch fuzz

NEW YORK (AP) — The great Dog Hair Drive has been a howling success!

This shaggy dog story begins with an internal memo sent a couple of weeks ago to the staff of St. Martin's Press: "Anyone with a dog, please save the hair for use as book-marks."

This is no joke!"

These book-marks, adorned with bits

of woven doggie hair, will be used to publicize a book St. Martin's is publishing in March called "Knitting With Dog Hair."

Alas, authors Kendall Corlius and Ann Montgomery were running out of hair to make book-marks, explained St. Martin's spokesman Joe Rinaldi.

But now, thanks to the memo,

"they're knitting away," he said. "They've got a whole pile sitting in the office: grocery-

bag size, from various breeds."

The authors apparently were too busy knitting to come to the phone on Wednesday. But Rinaldi stressed that they mean business.

"As odd as it seems, when you're talking about combing a member of the family and turning it into a sweater, it's a serious knitting book," he said.

The book will detail knitting techniques, what breeds work best, and how to treat the hair so that it doesn't smell like a wet dog.



"I'm trying to look like me. I'm trying to do what I call 'throw an album cover.' Nothing," he said. Then, a few days later, Joel was playing piano in a restaurant, and

there she was.

"We got to talking and we were friends at first," he said. "I was nuts about her, but it took a while for her to reciprocate."

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pay-as-you-go," Schultz said.

She said the Parents' Association hopes the lack of registration fees coupled with the newsletter will increase participation.

"So far, we've received a little over 100 registration forms

but we expect a whole bunch just to show up without replying through the mail," Schultz said.

Schultz said the goal of Parents' Weekend is for parents and families to spend time with the students and get to know more about Marshall and the community.

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we don't want to stop with the Habitat for Humanity house."

We want to get involved in more community projects," Noble said.

The staff's previous community service involved helping flood victims in the Midwest.

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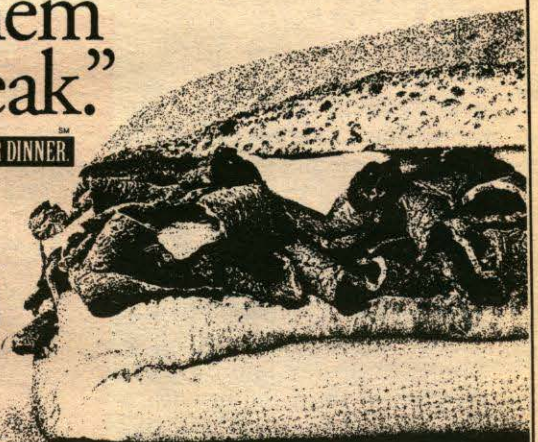
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U.S. troop escalation in Somalia

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton has decided against pulling U.S. troops out of Somalia immediately and told lawmakers today he will send 1,700 more soldiers there quickly, followed by full withdrawal by March 31.

Lawmakers briefed by Clinton at a White House session also said that the president would name Robert Oakley, who was President Bush's envoy to Somalia, to go to the region to try to oversee a political settlement to the strife.

The initial show of force would be an effort by Clinton to protect U.S. troops in Somalia — once numbering 28,000 but now down to 4,700 — and to try to win the release of captured Americans.

Clinton was to spell out his decision today in an afternoon address to the

Lawmakers said that 1,700 fresh ground troops would be sent to Somalia along with 3,600 Marines who would be sent offshore.

nation.

Lawmakers said that Clinton promised that, in addition to the 1,700 fresh ground troops, he would dispatch an amphibious group of 3,600 Marines to offshore Somalia.

Participants at today's White House session portrayed the two-hour meeting in the Roosevelt Room as lively, with many members pressing for quick withdrawal of U.S. troops.

"It was a spirited discussion," said Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine. But he predicted that Congress would support Clinton's pro-

gram once he puts it in perspective.

Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., said that Clinton promised to consult further with congressional leaders before announcing his policy to Americans.

"I told the president, I want to be supportive," Dole said. But he said there "is a credibility question" if the United States pulls out too quickly.

White House aides said that Clinton's address would likely not be made until late afternoon.

Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., disagreed with Clinton's decision to draw

out the withdrawal. He said the United States should "get out" as soon as possible.

"Our job is not to reform the government ... we can't be the policeman for the world," Thurmond said.

Of Clinton's policy, Thurmond said: "I imagine he'll rethink it after the meeting this morning."

Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., described the tenor of the meeting as "very divided." He said Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., has made it clear that he will offer an amendment next week to require a pullout by a set date.

McConnell said there "very strong opinions expressed on all sides."

"If the vote were held today, Senator Byrd would probably win," McConnell said. "This is going to be a grand foreign policy debate reminiscent of the Persian Gulf debate," McConnell said.

Yeltsin honors the dead after battle in Moscow

MOSCOW (AP) — Flags were lowered and prayers offered in churches Thursday as Russia marked a national day of mourning for those killed in fighting between President Boris Yeltsin's forces and hard-line opponents.

Yeltsin urged the nation to honor the dead from both sides to try to heal the divisions that have ripped Russia apart in recent days. He urged Russians not to think in terms of winners or losers.

"However different their convictions may have been, all of them are Russia's children," he said of the dead in a national TV address Wednesday night.

"It is our common tragedy, our common grief."

Solemn masses were sung in Russian Orthodox churches as the dead were honored at lavish funerals and funeral parades. Russian flags flew along major streets.

Government soldiers killed in the fighting were praised by their commanders in funerals at Moscow military bases. The bodies lay in open coffins, surrounded by flowers and honor guards in ceremonial uniforms as weeping family and friends filed past.

Moscow city officials said Thursday that 187 people had been killed and 437 wounded in fighting Sunday and Monday between police and hard-line opposition forces.

The battle ended Monday when troops loyal to Yeltsin stormed parliament with tanks and forced hundreds of hard-liners to surrender.

Yeltsin had ordered parliament dissolved Sept. 21 and set elections in an attempt to end an impasse over the country's future.

A loose alliance of Communists, fascists and ultra-nationalists had opposed the scale and speed of Yeltsin's transition to a democratic and free-market system.

Life was fairly normal Thursday in Moscow, with fewer roadblocks and military patrols on the streets. Yeltsin announced he had lifted censorship of the mainstream press, which he admitted was an "excessive" measure. Hard-

line opposition newspapers, however, remained banned.

Police said some anti-government gunmen were still on the loose in the capital, but there were no reports of violence Wednesday night.

Taking advantage of the military victory, Yeltsin continued to move against his opponents, demanding elections to clear hard-liners from regional legislatures.

In a public slap at Communist holdovers, the president also unceremoniously removed the rifle-toting guards from Lenin's Tomb on Red Square.

Police said that for the time being, the body of Bolshevik leader Vladimir Lenin would remain in its glass sarcophagus for tourists to see.

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our view

Problems must be fixed soon

▼ **The Issue: University Heights is not accessible to disabled students.**

Marshall has been recognized as one of the most accessible schools for disabled students in the United States.

That is, if you don't include University Heights. The apartment complex, located off Route 60 East on Norway Ave., is owned by the university. Mainly older students and married couples call the apartments home.

But disabled students see the apartments more as a threat than a home because the building is not handicap accessible.

Mike Blitz, sophomore and resident of University Heights, says it's a chore just to get into his apartment. Getting stuck in the mud and struggling with a chain-link security gate are problems Blitz encounters daily. There are no ramps available.

Inside the apartment, it's the same story. He says he can't get his wheelchair into the bathroom, and there are no handrails near his bathtub or toilet.

And now, he's considering filing a lawsuit against the university because of an injury he suffered last week when he fell out of his chair while leaving his apartment. The accident occurred in a rough, grassy area where the sidewalk stops.

Blitz said he lived in University Heights before his left leg was amputated in 1990.

Blitz could move to a place that's more accessible, but that's not the point. The apartments should have been updated and accommodated for disabled students years ago.

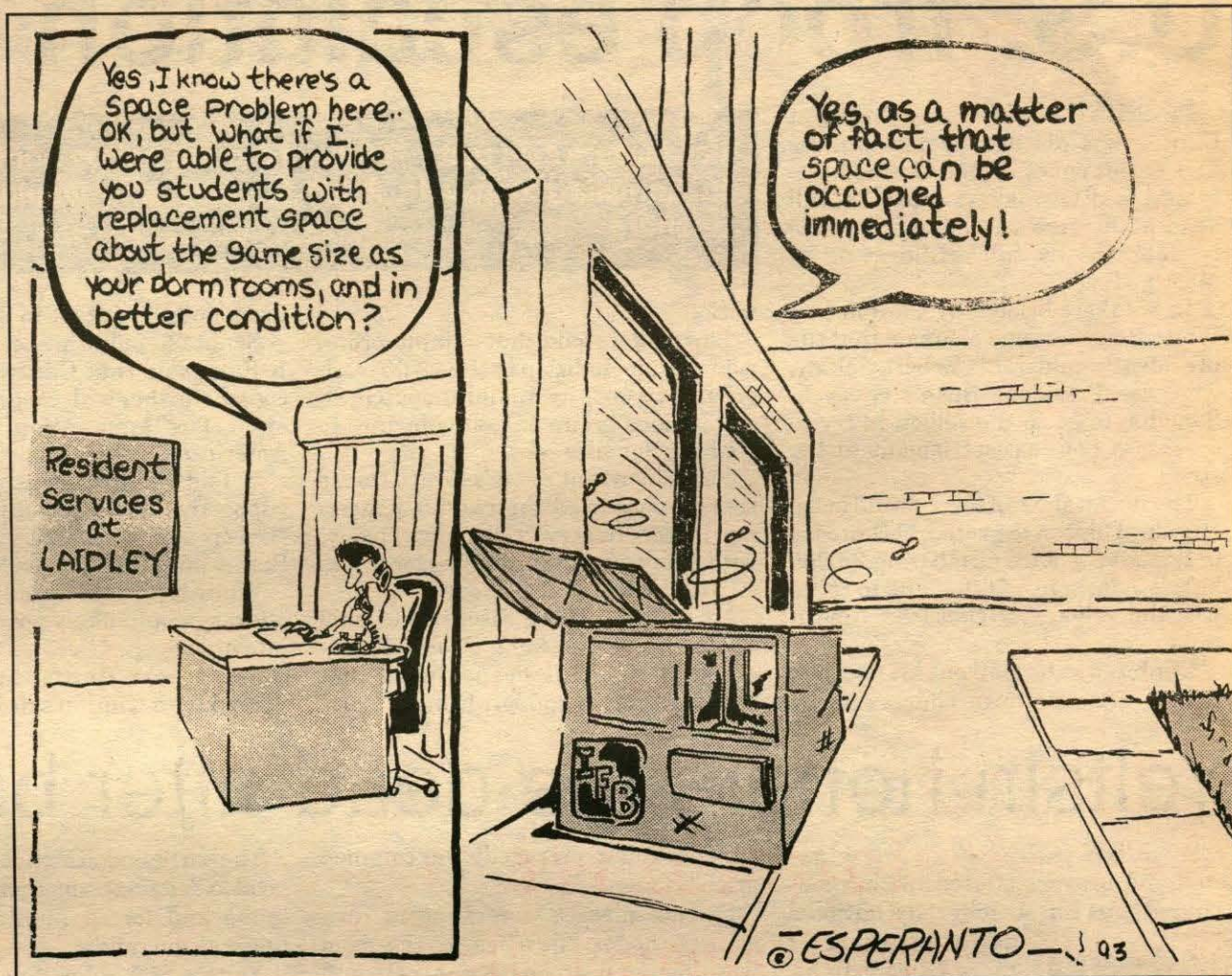
In fact, it's the law under the Americans with Disabilities Act, which was passed in 1990.

Larry Crowder, assistant director of resident services, said the university is working on the problems at the apartments. He said officials have contract bids underway that will take care of the problem within 30 to 45 days.

Plans include two new elevated parking spaces and a ramp. The university also is working to consolidate six apartments into three accessible apartments.

Bravo. It's about time. While campus residence halls have been equipped with special floors for disabled students for some time, University Heights has offered little more than a dangerous environment for such students.

Officials have said the university is committed to correcting the problem. We can only hope red tape doesn't extend the 30 to 45 day time frame. University Heights' disabled students should not have to wait any longer for a safe place to live.



letters

Columnist uses inaccurate poll

To the editor:

Or rather Mr. Painter. Remember me?

I am responding to your article of 30 September, in which you attempt to prove the worthlessness of the National Endowment for the Arts.

It was a good idea to get a local angle on a national issue by polling students. Too bad you didn't do it right. Let me quote you: "I have asked a number of students here if they consider a crucifix placed in a jar of urine a work of art... and the unanimous consent (sic) of the students was no."

Immediately after I read your article, I went out and asked a number of students at Marshall whether or not they considered "Piss Christ" (the work you're referring to) a work of art. Their unanimous opinion was that it is a work of art.

I only asked two people, and I knew that both of them like Mapplethorp's work. But the important thing is, I did ask a number of Marshall students, exactly like you did. The next time you try to use a local poll to support your opinion, a random sampling, along with some numbers, would help.

But on to greater issues... you seem to have the opinion that everyone must agree with the programs that the government funds in order for you to have to pay for them. Or simply, if you don't like it, you shouldn't have to pay for it.

Talcan Romey had this kind of idea for campus last semester, but in case you didn't read my response to that, I'll give you the general idea.

I don't think that any Republicans (and most Democrats) should get federal matching funds. Most of them don't need it. But my tax money goes to them anyway. I don't think that we need most of the

▼ Letters

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Letters

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military that we have. I end up paying for it anyway.

There's probably more than one federal program that helps you out, or that you like, that I don't. You end up getting the programs you like, while I get the ones I like. What programs would we have if everyone, or even a majority, had to approve of them?

Then you go on talking about how this is art and this isn't art, blah blah blah. You're a medical student. You can, with some small authority, say that a certain procedure is the correct way to remove a kidney. You are not studying art. Leave art to the artists.

And finally, you speak of how Jane Alexander "has her own agenda." Of course she does. Everyone has their own agenda. You have an agenda. I have an agenda. Teachers, doctors, lawyers ... all have their own agendas. I've noticed a disturbing tendency among those of the far right to speak of agendas as though agendas are an evil thing. No one on the right would ever have an agenda, would they? Nah. Rush isn't trying to convince anyone, is he? Pat Robertson isn't trying to change people's minds...

By the way, did you ever buy that dictionary?

Professor finds argument flaws

To the editor:

The September 30 column by Robert Painter contains a series of fallacies which, though evident to a careful reader, may go unnoticed by a casual observer.

It is important that the university community understand these flaws in argument.

1. Mr. Painter regularly resorts to "ad hominem" argument in which he attacks his opponent personally, but does not address the opponent's position. This type of name calling is not a satisfactory substitute for reasoned discourse.

2. Mr. Painter does not let the evidence (or lack of it) get in the way of his conclusions. His repeated assertions that faculty "indoctrinate" students are never accompanied by evidence that does anything more than repeat the charge, a classical fallacy known as "begging the question."

3. Mr. Painter uses the "straw man" fallacy when he shouts "socialism" to discredit his opponents and divert attention from the primary issue.

Whether knowingly or unwittingly, Mr. Painter employs techniques well known to propagandists since the days of Nazi Germany.

The "Big Lie," repeated regularly, and accompanied by vicious attacks on opponents, may become accepted when audiences are uncritical and opponents are silenced.

The entire Marshall community must be vigilant, lest that happen here.

Steve Saus
Huntington junior

Bertram W. Gross
communication studies professor

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The cost per student is \$30 for one class, \$54 for two, and \$72 for three. There is a 10 percent discount for families registering two or more students.

Seminar provides paralegal advice

The Marshall University Division of Continuing Education and the Mountain State Bar Association is sponsoring a continuing education seminar Saturday entitled "Paralegals."

The program is from 9 a.m. to 3:50 p.m. and costs \$85 for people who preregister and \$99 for late registration and walk-ins.

Booooooo...

*This trail's
for you*



By Michael Peck
Reporter

Halloween spirits will return to the trail in upper Ritter Park on the weekends of Oct. 15, 22, and 29.

The trail is sponsored by The Greater Huntington Park and Recreation District, WKEE Radio, Huntington High School, Huntington East High School, Barboursville High School Peer Counseling Group, and many other organizations.

As Gobbler's Knob trail twists and turns in an eerie fashion through Ritter's ridges and hollows, its new attractions will haunt those who braved the trail last year.

"There are completely new scares from previous years," said Ken Henson, activities director for The Greater Huntington Parks and Recreation District.

Hot drinks and other "treats" will be available for a fee at the concession stand.

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Theater review: 'Noises Off'

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson

By John Jimenez
Reporter

"Noises Off" proved to be a grueling exercise in comic timing for the show's cast.

"The timing was very important," said Dr. N. Bennett East, the play's director, "and working on it taught the theater students a lot about delivery."

The play focuses on the backstage rivalries that take place among actors in an English traveling theatrical company. "Noises Off" is a play within a play. The characters in "Noises Off" are themselves putting on a production called "Nothing On."

Lloyd, played by Trevor Long, is the pompous and condescending director of "Nothing On." Brooke Ashton, played by Amy Carrico, is the beautiful but dim-witted blonde, with whom Lloyd is having an affair. Garry LeJeune, played by J. Randall Hicks, is the play's most 'awkward' character; tripping, stumbling, and in one scene even falling down a flight of stairs.

Most of the play's humor is slapstick, East said, with emphasis on physical nonverbal comedy.

"That's why timing is so important in this play. A joke or gag can be lost if someone isn't where they're supposed to be at the right time."

In the subsequent acts the physical humor really takes off. The revolving stage, which was built especially for this production, spins around to reveal the back of the "Nothing On" set. There isn't that much dialogue, but pure physical comedy as everyone proceeds during a "Nothing On" performance to 'get even' with their antagonist.

"The play is a farce based on what happens backstage during a play," said J. Randall Hicks, Huntington senior.

"The hardest thing about playing Garry was the physical humor. The timing was murder. I've gotten bruises for not properly falling down the stairs."

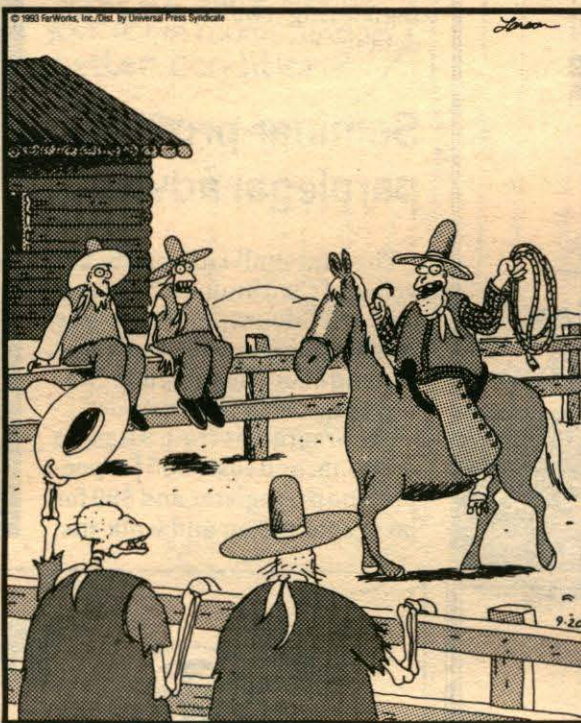
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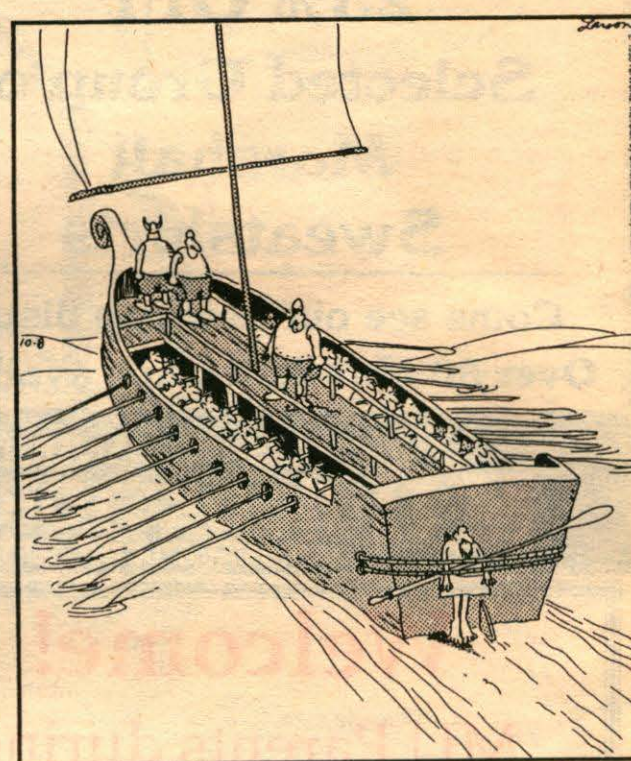
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Soccer forward scores big

By Kelly Blake
Reporter

As Shawn Sizemore contemplates Sunday's home soccer game against Virginia Military Institute, he wonders how much difference playing a new position will make in this year's outcome.

When his position was switched from midfielder to forward, he never dreamed he would lead Marshall's soccer team in scoring.

After three years as a starting midfielder for the Thundering Herd, head coach John Gibson moved Sizemore to forward at the beginning of the 1993 season to take advantage of his offensive abilities.

"Shawn has been brilliant. He's on track to be the Southern Conference Player of the Year," Gibson said.

Sizemore, who averages 1.38 points per game, said, "It took

a little while to get comfortable at the forward spot, but now I feel this is where I can most benefit the team."

He explained that as a midfielder, the primary job is to work the ball from the defense to the offense.

As a forward, the objective is the score goals and work the ball on the other teams defensive side.

"I was a little concerned before the season started whether or not I could do my job of scoring goals. But to come in and score a goal in each of the first three games really helped my confidence," Sizemore said.

Sizemore is tied for fourth in total scoring

in the Southern Conference even though he was suspended for one game after being ejected from the Oct. 28 game against the University of Charleston.



SIZEMORE

Herd ready for VMI

By Mark Truby
Sports Editor

For the last two years early season losses have served as a wake-up call for the Marshall football team.

In 1991, Marshall dropped their opening game to Appalachian State 3-9, before mounting a I-AA National Championship campaign. In 1992, the Herd was rolling along nicely at 3-0, until they were nuked by I-A Missouri 21-43. The Herd went on to win the title.

Marshall's football players found out quickly this year that being NCAA Division I-AA defending champions makes them marked men.

"We have to be ready every week," said Herd coach Jim Donnan.

"With the reputation we have, we're going to get everybody's best shot."

"Everybody wants to knock us off the top," Herd running back

Chris Parker said after Marshall's loss to Tennessee-Chattanooga last weekend.

"I think when you're a defending champion, then everybody wants a piece of you," defensive coordinator Mickey Matthews said.

Still, it isn't all gloom and doom, Matthews said.

"Players improve more after their first loss than they do all year," he said. "I think we'll improve a lot, no doubt about it."

Parker also is optimistic. "I think last week was sort of a wake-up call to us," he said.

"Maybe we took it for granted, maybe we thought we were a little bit better than what we were. It's just one of those things early in the season that tells you you have to work a little harder," Parker said.

"It just goes to show that any team can beat you if you give them the momentum," he said.

Donnan said that the team has been working to restore its confidence after a tough loss at UTC.

"We are just

working hard," he said. "We shouldn't have lost to that team but, we are going on."

Donnan said he still believes in the Herd defense's ability to play well this year.

I still think we have a fine defense," Donnan said. "What do you expect when you have a key player injured (Rodney Garrett) and you have to start two redshirt freshman at cornerback."

Marshall (3-1 overall, 1-1 in the Southern Conference) is home Saturday against VMI (0-4, 0-1).

Coach Jim Donnan

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Stephen R. Lister, co-owner of Maggie's

Living in World of Music

Maggie's Music World offers connections and selections for your unique music collection.

By Carrie M. LeRose
Reporter

If you're a music lover trying to find an unusual album or a musician searching for a vintage guitar, Maggie's Music World in Barboursville may have what you need.

"There's no pressure and they even take special orders; in fact, they go out of their way to order it for you," Deidre N. Wright of Huntington said. Wright found an old Tina Turner album for \$5 that she priced at another record store for \$16.

Robin T. Young, a Huntington senior and a music collector for 10 years, said that she likes the prices at Maggie's.

"It's convenient for me to shop here and a lot cheaper. They have older CDs that most stores don't have. I looked for an '82

"More than once we've had calls from Japan; they're big on a brand of classic acoustic guitar we carry."

Craig D. Pinkerton
co-owner of Maggie's

Rainbow CD, "Straight Between the Eyes," and found it here for \$4," Young said.

Maggie's name, taken from the Bob Dylan song "Maggie's Farm," was chosen by co-owner Craig D. Pinkerton. Pinkerton's partners, Steve R. Lister and Avery D. Floyd, are members of Legend, a local band that plays '60s and '70s rock.

"We're all originally from

Huntington, but we went our separate ways for a few years. When I was in Houston I worked in a music store and got to meet people like Bachman-Turner Overdrive and Grand Funk. That's how I made most of the connections I have today," Pinkerton said.

Although Maggie's is located in Barboursville, business sometimes extends worldwide to locate unusual items.

"Sometimes individuals will collect every album a band has ever released, even in foreign countries," Pinkerton said. "That's when we have to make calls to find what our customers want. Yet sometimes we get calls from people looking for unique items. More than once we've had calls from Japan; they're big on a brand of classic acoustic guitars we



Photo by Bill Carroll

Maggie's Music World sells CDs, tapes, old albums, musical instruments, posters and other collectors' items.

carry," he said.

"Some people say we have the largest collection this side of Columbus. With trade-ins, we can have up to 300 new pieces a day. People will bring in their old albums, tapes, and CDs and trade them in for something new or even for something they've just been wanting to hear," Lister said.

Vintage albums aren't the only unique items at Maggie's. Picture discs, autographed albums, backstage passes, tour

ton, the Dead, and a country song. I like working here and being exposed to all types of music, old and new," Barker said.

Maggie's business also includes the sale of musical instruments. Most of the equipment is pre-owned, allowing musicians to buy items at a cheaper price.

"Most musicians like pre-owned equipment because it's been through a break-in period, kind of like a pair of shoes," Lister said.

Representatives of Maggie's plan to make a listing of area musicians available.

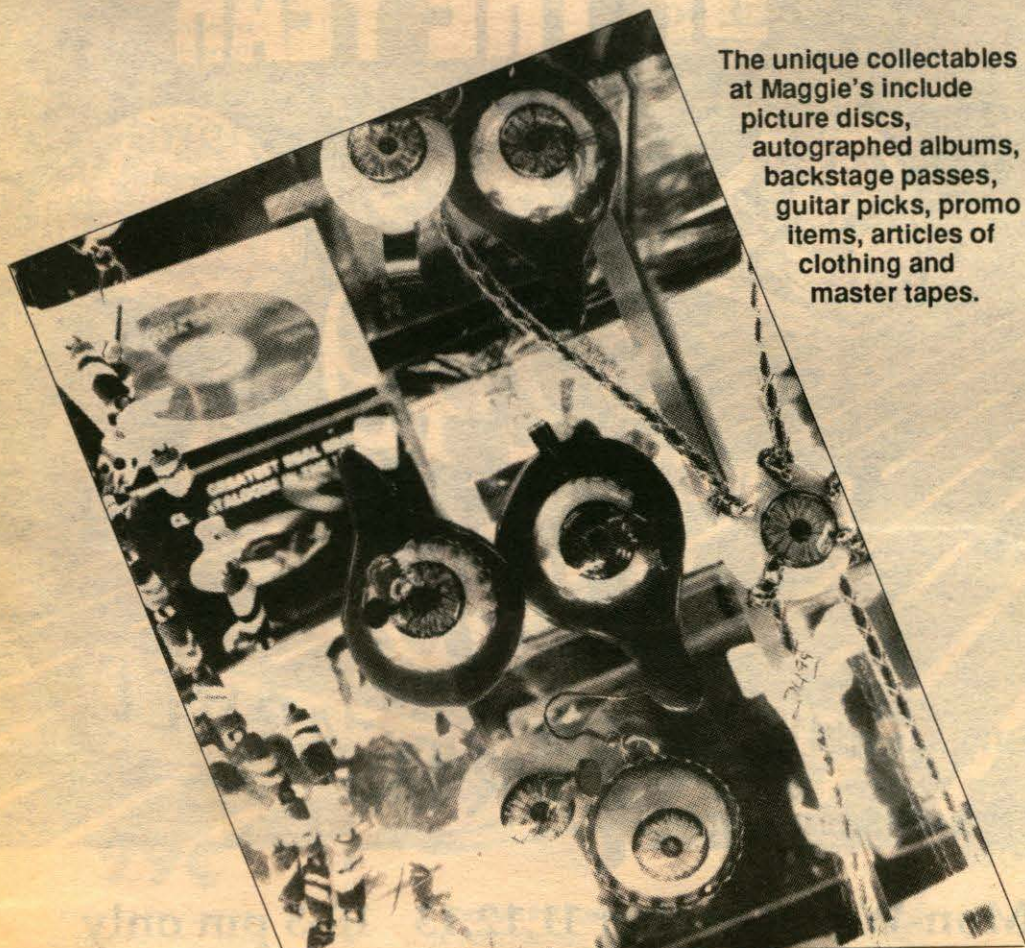
"Many times bands will need a fill-in and not be able to locate anyone," Lister said. "With our list, we'll provide the musician's name, type of instrument and experience for a small cost. It will also help people looking for bands."

"I like the Doors and the Eagles and can find used stuff much cheaper at Maggie's," said Kim D. Pell, Huntington freshman.

Used tapes cost \$2.99 to \$6.99, and used CDs cost \$7.99 to \$13.99. Maggie's also repairs VCRs, stereos and guitars.

Though some items displayed in the store are part of the owner's collection, everything has a price.

"If we don't have it in the store and it's available elsewhere, we'll try our hardest to obtain it," Pinkerton said.



The unique collectables at Maggie's include picture discs, autographed albums, backstage passes, guitar picks, promo items, articles of clothing and master tapes.

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posters, promo posters, and many more collectibles are also available.

Employees of the store are used to "music addicts," or people who collect anything, such as guitar picks, promo items, articles of clothing, master tapes, and anything else that their favorite group has used.

Shayne Barker, a store employee, has a music degree from Marshall and a record collection of more than 1,500 albums.

"I was in Europe this past summer and over there the music isn't as political. On one station I heard Whitney Hous-